

Foot Souldiers to be Quarters for Strengthening of Frontiers Plantations
be allowed Eighteen pence per day they also finding themselves provisions
which is supposed to be reasonable by the Committee they considering the
Scarcety of Provisions and the Deareness of the same at present.

And in consideration of their great allowance it is thought necessary
by the Committee that they should daily Range, and if any of them shall
be seen stragling about of Plantations and not performing of their
Duty for every such days Neglect they shall Loose their day pay with
further Punishment as their Commander shall think fitt.

By the Committee July 14th 1699.

The Committee thinks it necessary that James Fieby Esq: or one of
his Maj^{ty} Councill next adjacent with Coll: John Thompson and
one of the Burgeses of Battemore County with what other persons they shall
think fitt be dispatched with all convenient Speed to the Susquehanna
Indians to see if they will Ratifye and Confirme of League already
made with them and to Enter into such further Articles as shall be
proposed unto them, or to any other Indians adjacent, and that a post
be prepared to be made unto them.

And as to the Piscataway Indians which are dayly expected
to come and settle amongst us if they should not come in before the
returne of the Message for the Susquehanna Indians that his Esq:
the Gov: and Councill with the Committee appointed by the House
take such Methods and Measures therein as to them seem meet and
convenient.

The Committee thinks it requisite that a copy of these proceedings
relating to the Indians be Transmitted to his Esq: Francis Nicholson
his Maj^{ty} Gov: in cheife of the Colony of Virginia.

And that Orders be Issued out to the severall Officers of the Militia
that they frequently exercise their men and be in Readiness according to
former Instructions to be at an hours warning upon any occasion.

And a copy of the said Instructions to be Transmitted to the cheife
officer of each respective County.

Signed by Order

Thomas Alb:

July 14th 1699. This House concurres with the Opinion of the
said Committee.

John Gregory Esq: House Delegates.

Ordered that Coll: Niran Beale and Mr: M: Richardson carry the
said Report to his Esq: and Councill.

Who Returne and Gay they Delivered their Message.

A Bill for appointing Judges of Nisi Prius in this Province, read the
first time and Ordered to be laid upon the Table and to be read againe
on Monday Morning.